

**Percentage of children aged 18 years and younger living at or above the  
federal poverty level during 1997 by extent of dental services received**

Characteristics	No preventive dental services	Basic preventive dental services <sup>a</sup>	Any preventive dental services <sup>b</sup>
	Percent receiving services		
<b>Total percent</b>	56.2 (54.3, 58.2)	40.9 (38.9, 42.8)	43.8 (41.8, 45.7)
<b>Age</b>			
Under 6	80.7 (78.6, 82.9)	19.1 (17.0, 21.3)	19.3 (17.1, 21.4)
6-8	46.4 (42.5, 50.3)	52.2 (48.3, 56.2)	53.6 (49.7, 57.5)
9-11	40.1 (36.4, 43.8)	57.3 (53.5, 61.1)	59.9 (56.2, 63.6)
12-15	44.6 (41.3, 48.0)	48.3 (44.8, 51.8)	55.4 (52.0, 58.7)
16-18	51.4 (47.9, 54.9)	44.3 (40.7, 47.8)	48.6 (45.1, 52.1)
<b>Race/ethnicity</b>			
Non-Hispanic white and other	51.7 (49.4, 53.9)	45.1 (42.8, 47.4)	48.3 (46.1, 50.6)
Non-Hispanic black	70.2 (66.0, 74.5)	28.1 (24.0, 32.2)	29.8 (25.5, 34.0)
Hispanic	70.7 (67.4, 74.0)	27.6 (24.4, 30.9)	29.3 (26.0, 32.6)
<b>Gender</b>			
Male	58.1 (55.7, 60.6)	39.4 (37.0, 41.7)	41.9 (39.4, 44.3)
Female	54.2 (51.8, 56.6)	42.5 (40.1, 44.9)	45.8 (43.4, 48.2)
<b>Insurance status</b>			
Any private <sup>c</sup>	51.6 (49.5, 53.7)	45.1 (42.9, 47.2)	48.4 (46.3, 50.5)
Any public	70.8 (66.2, 75.4)	28.1 (23.5, 32.6)	29.2 (24.6, 33.8)
Uninsured	78.2 (74.2, 82.1)	20.9 (17.0, 24.8)	21.8 (17.9, 25.8)

<sup>a</sup> Includes general exam or consultation; cleaning, prophylaxis, or polishing; x-rays, radiographs, or bitewings; or fluoride treatment.

<sup>b</sup> Includes general exam or consultation; cleaning, prophylaxis, or polishing; x-rays, radiographs, or bitewings; fluoride treatment; fillings; or orthodontia.

<sup>c</sup> Includes CHAMPUS and CHAMPVA, which cover military dependents and veterans, respectively.

Data source: 1997 Medical Expenditure Panel Survey Household Component, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality.